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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	CASE NO. CR 20-00249 RS (LB)
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	DECLARATION OF DAVID WARD IN
)	SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES'
ROWLAND MARCUS ANDRADE,)	RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO
)	COMPEL DISCOVERY (RE; LEVIN PHONE)
Defendant.)	

I, David Ward, declare and state as follows:

I am an Assistant United States Attorney for the Northern District of California assigned to the prosecution of the above-captioned case.

- On August 2, 2024, I spoke by phone with Sean Buckley, an attorney at Kobre & Kim. Mr. Buckley stated that he formerly represented Mr. Levin, no longer did so. Mr. Buckley stated that he was unaware that defendant Andrade had filed a motion arguing that Levin had

1 abandoned any interest in his cell phone, and vehemently disputed that characterization.

2 Later that day I sent to Mr. Buckley a copy of the Court's August 1, 2024 Discovery Order
3 regarding the Levin phone.

- 4 2. On August 23, 2024, after inquiring with Mr. Buckley on the status of Levin's objection to
5 producing an image of his phone, I received an email from him. The following is a complete
6 copy of that email:

7 *Thank you, Dave. I do not currently represent Mr. Levin, as we have discussed. That said,*
8 *and despite the Magistrate's order, I do not understand how these materials are "abandoned*
9 *property" as they were seized pursuant to a warrant and without the consent of Mr. Levin. I*
10 *believe Mr. Levin maintains a valid privacy interest in those materials given the nature of*
11 *how they were taken and maintained. To be clear, while I do not represent Mr. Levin, I want*
12 *to make clear that neither I nor Mr. Levin (to my knowledge) has disclaimed or waived any*
13 *privacy interest in devices that were taken from him without his consent pursuant to*
14 *compulsory process from the Government.*

15 *Sean S. Buckley*
16 *[phone redacted]*

17 Executed this 28th day of August, 2024, in San Francisco, California.

18 /s/ David Ward
19 DAVID WARD
20 Assistant United States Attorney
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